

Project: Pillowcase with Meandering Leaf Pattern

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PILLOWCASE CHALLENGE

Add a meandering pattern of fusible leaf appliqués to decorate the band of a pillowcase. Use this free pillowcase pattern to embellish pillowcases for charity as part of the 1 Million Pillowcase Challenge (AllPeopleQuilt.com/millionpillowcases). Fabrics are from the Meadowsweet collection by Sandi Henderson for Michael Miller Fabrics (michaelmillerfabrics.com).

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Materials

- 1/3 yard orange print (band)
- 7/8 yard brown floral (pillowcase body)
- 1/8 yard green tone-on-tone (appliqués)
- lightweight fusible web

Finished pillowcase: 30x20"
(fits a standard-size bed pillow)

Quantities are for 44/45" wide, 100% cotton fabrics.

Measurements include 1/2" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics

Use Leaf Pattern, *below*. To use fusible web for appliquéing pattern, complete the following steps.

1. Place fusible web, paper side up, over Leaf Pattern. Use a pencil to trace pattern 28 times, leaving at least 1/2" between tracings. Cut out drawn shapes roughly 1/4" outside drawn lines.
2. Following manufacturer's instructions, press fusible-web shapes onto wrong side of green tone-on-tone; let cool. Cut out fabric leaves on drawn lines.

From orange print, cut:

- 1—10x41" strip

From brown floral, cut:

- 1—26 1/2 x 41" rectangle

From green tone-on-tone, cut:

- 28 of Leaf Pattern

Assemble Pillowcase

1. Fold orange print 10x41" strip in half lengthwise with wrong side inside; press to make pillowcase band.
2. With raw edges aligned, sew pillowcase band to a long edge of brown floral 26 1/2 x 41" rectangle (**Diagram 1**). Press band open, pressing seams toward brown floral rectangle, to make pillowcase unit.
3. Referring to **Diagram 2**, arrange leaf appliqués atop pillowcase unit. Fuse in place following manufacturer's instructions. Using green thread and a small zigzag stitch, machine-appliqué leaves in place. Press appliquéd area from wrong side.
4. Fold appliquéd pillowcase unit in half to form a 30 1/2 x 20 1/2" rectangle. Sew together long edges and brown floral short edges to make pillowcase (**Diagram 3**). Turn right side out and press flat.



DIAGRAM 1

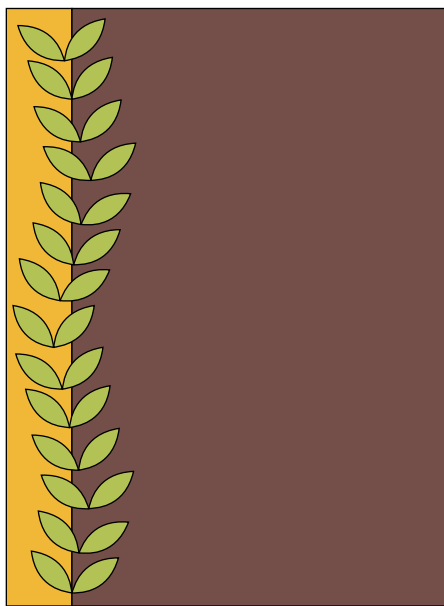


DIAGRAM 2

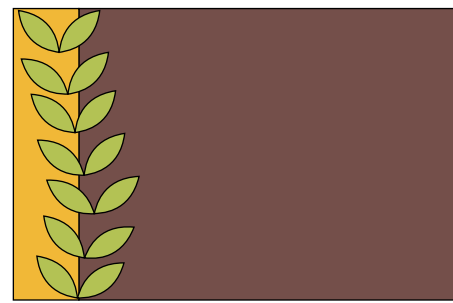
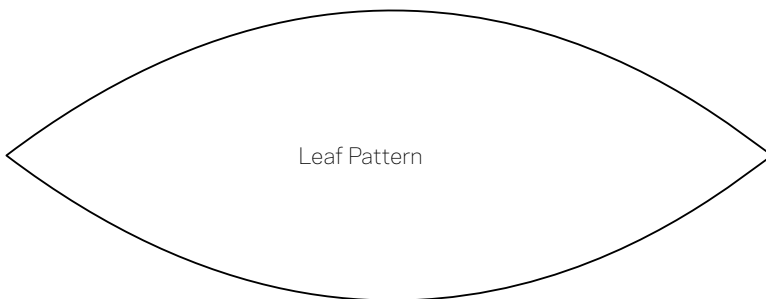
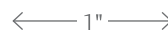


DIAGRAM 3



Leaf Pattern

This box should measure 1".



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